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LOYOLA SEEKS 30TH STRAIGHT

With one of their finest team efforts the Loyola Warriors cage squad came from behind to defeat the University of Carleton Ravens 79-67 Saturday night.

It was the third time in two years that the Warriors, defending OSL champions had dumped Carleton who is the defending OQAA Eastern Division title holder. Tonight at 8:00 p.m. Loyola returns to league action hosting Macdonald College Clansmen and will be seeking their 30th straight OSL victory.

The Warriors staged a fantastic last quarter comeback to pull the non-conference game out of the fire Saturday night. Trailing 60-47 at the three quarter mark the Warriors threw a press against Carleton and rattled the Ravens while Carleton could only manage two field goals and three free throws in the last ten minutes. Loyola went on a scoring spree. In eight minutes the Warriors picked up loose balls, hauled down offensive and defensive rebounds from the taller Ravens and racked up 26 points for the stunning win.

The Warriors got off to a slow start but when Earl Lewis, who was injured last week, got into the game the Warriors came back to life and scrambled back from an 11 point deficit to close the gap 35-32 at the half.

It was Carleton's turn to turn on the scoring machine in the third quarter. They used their height to break Loyola's press to go up by 13 points heading into the last quarter - then the roof caved in. Guard Tom Profenno led the Warriors with 19 points and Lewis and Jim Ivy responded to the Carleton challenge by hitting for 15 points each. Ivy, playing some of the best ball of his college career teamed with Jack Contos to provide Loyola with tough inside work while Lewis provided Warriors with ballhandling and his customary fine jumping ability.

The Macdonald Clansmen who were drubbed twice this weekend on an excursion to Albany New York for the Can-Am Tourney will be making their initial league start against Loyola who have won their only league fixture. The Clansmen have suffered four consecutive non-conference losses. Tonight's game will count in both OSL and Coupe de Quebec standings.

Also in action tonight are the Hockey version of the Warriors. They take a bus ride to U de M where they meet the Carabins in a C de Q contest. Loyola currently leads the competition with a 4-0 record and the Warriors seem well on their way to a repeat of last year's cup win.